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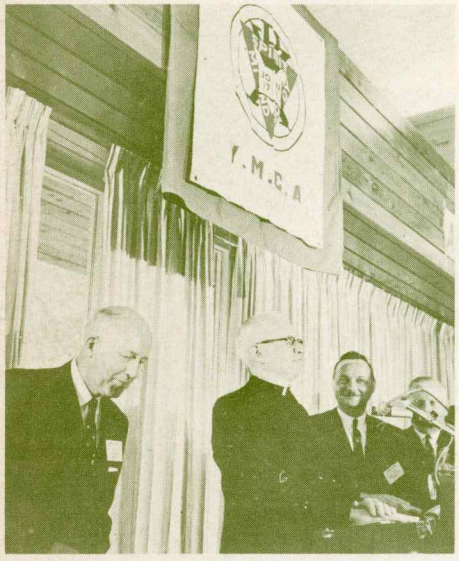
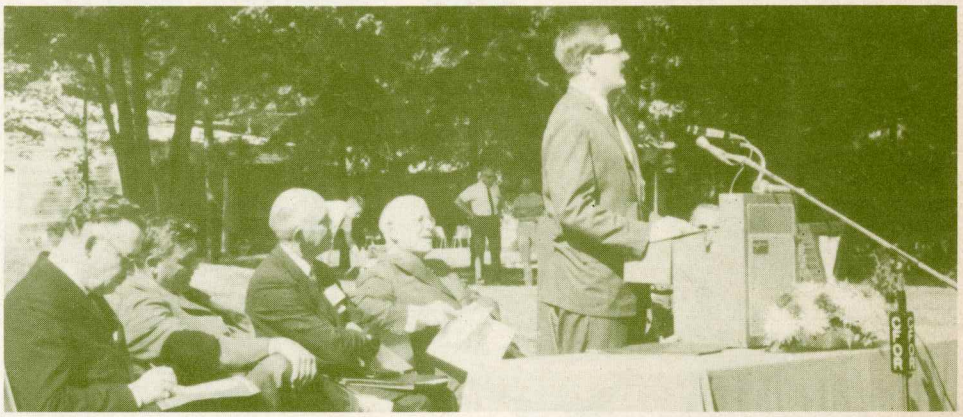


DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER to the Annual Meeting was Archbishop P. F. Pocock, Coadjutor Bishop of Toronto. Shown here between the retiring President of the National Council of YMCAs, W. Harold Rea, and newly-elected President, Maurice F. Strong, the Archbishop was the first Roman Catholic Church official to speak before a meeting of the National Council of YMCAs.

CEREMONIAL TREE PLANTING by T. Denton Lewis, president of Montreal YMCA, first Canadian Association, at Geneva Park Centennial Project, represents the participation of all Canadian YMCAs and YMCA-YWCAs, with trees now designated for each 'Y'.



DELIVERING 'VIEWPOINT ON YOUTH', Doug Ward, president-elect, Canadian Union of Students and Chairman, Interim Advisory Council, Company of Young Canadians, speaks to Annual Meeting delegates, visitors and special guests at the dedication of the Canadian YMCA Centennial Project at Geneva Park. Shown seated from left to right are: Herb. Forth, Chairman, Geneva Park Committee; Gordon Wilson, contractor to new facilities; W. Harold Rea, President, National Council of YMCAs; the Hon. Leslie M. Frost, former Premier of Ontario.

Largest Annual Meeting in the history of the National Council of YMCAs of Canada, June 16-19:

- Dedicated the YMCAs official Canadian Centennial project at Geneva Park, completed entirely with voluntary contributions.
- Endorsed the proposed Association Program for Professional Development as an alternative to post-employment professional education requirements for certification.
- Considered the Lanark YMCA Extension Project in terms of the YMCA's possible role in the whole field of community development outside the major urban areas.
- Recommended that the National Council of YMCAs of Canada authorize the negotiation of a new arrangement with the YMCAs of the United States which would assure the continuation of Canadian participation in the work of the International Committee through special identification with certain specific programs; and which would enable the Canadian Movement to develop other overseas projects in co-operation with other National YMCA Movements and other Canadian agencies.
- Elected Maurice F. Strong, Montreal, as National President, youngest ever elected, and four new Regional Vice-Presidents: D. D. C. McGeachy, London (Western Ontario); John W. Brice, Winnipeg (Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario); Fraser E. Reid, Regina (Saskatchewan); James A. Love, Calgary (Alberta); Clarke Simpkins, Vancouver (British Columbia). W. Harold Rea was named Endowment and Investment Chairman and John M. Magwood, Q.C., Honorary Vice-President. New members to the National YMCA Executive Committee include J. L. Evans, Charlottetown, and C. L. Copland, Montreal.

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CANADIAN YMCA SECRETARIES RECENTLY CERTIFIED

R. R. Bailey L. C. Borne M. O. Byrd T. G. Forth K. A. Latter R. H. Wilson W. G. Wood

Richard R. Bailey, Executive Secretary, South Edmonton; Laurie C. Borne, Associate-Youth Program, Toronto Westwood; Michael O. Byrd, Associate-Adult Program, Toronto Westwood; Terrence G. Forth, Assistant Secretary, Montreal Lakeshore; Keith A. Latter, General Secretary, Woodstock; Roger H. Wilson, Assistant Secretary, Montreal Northmount; William G. Wood, Community Program Secretary, Toronto Eastview.

This recognition follows completion of basic professional training requirements as established by the Association of YMCA Secretaries and National YMCA Personnel Services.

RETIREMENTS

Ed. Bruford, Assistant Business Secretary, Toronto Central.
John J. Lunn, General Secretary, Quebec City.
C. A. Schell, Campaign Management Services.

The Canadian Certification Committee, chaired by Dr. H. F. Hall, made special reference to the accomplishment of Keith Latter, who received his B.A. degree from Sir George Williams University after 20 years of work on courses—undertaken while he carried his full responsibility as a Secretary.

Note that all secretarial changes are now published in the 'Forum', publication of the North American Association of YMCA Secrtaries. Complete listing of all Canadian secretaries is distributed to all Canadian Associations by National YMCA Personnel Services.

ANNUAL MEETING was chaired by Harold A. Brown (left), Toronto, Regional YMCA Vice-President for Toronto, and devotional messages were given by Rev. Wilbur Howard, Ottawa, chairman, National YMCA Program Services.

AVAILABLE to all registered at the Annual Meeting:

- devotional messages by Rev. Wilbur Howard.
- comments by W. Harold Rea, retiring as National President.
- statement by Archbishop P. F. Pocock, Coadjutor Bishop of Toronto.
- address by Les Vipond, General Secretary.
- remarks by Maurice F. Strong, as new National President.

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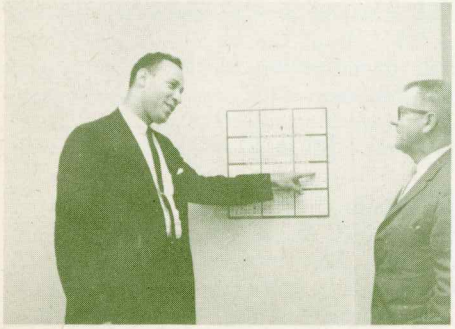

BERMUDA YMCA will be newest member of National Council when Everette Nance (left), Flint, Mich., starts as general secretary Sept. 1. R. B. Smith (right), Eastern Field Secretary, is assisting with organization.

NEW PUBLICATIONS of U.S. National Council YMCA (Association Press) including 'Christian Social Ethics in a Changing World' and 'Responsible Government in a Revolutionary Age'. G. R. Welch Company Ltd., 222 Evans Avenue, Toronto 18, represent 'Association Press' in Canada.

YMCA-YWCA CONFERENCE followed Annual Meeting at Geneva Park. Shown (l. to r.), with New Westminster 'Y' hats, are Lockwood Miller, chairman; Miss Jean Campbell, YWCA of Canada, and for 1966-67, World YWCA Mutual Services; National YMCA General Secretary Les. Vipond; and James Edgar, World Alliance YMCA Extension and Intermovement Cooperation.

CENTENNIAL PROJECT Dedication at the Annual Meeting provided occasion for reunion of Geneva Park executive secretaries: M. B. Shantz (Personnel Services), D. D. Hills (Saint John), J. R. Hupfield (Kingston YMCA-YWCA), D. M. Nicolson (Geneva Park), executive secretary), C. A. Schell (retired), A. A. Buckley (Hamilton), C. H. Gosse (Regina).

ED BRUFORD retired from Toronto Central YMCA staff on April 30 after 47 years of service as deskman, Residence Secretary, Assistant Business Secretary, and 'unofficial organist'. Les Vipond (right) presented National Council certificate of recognition.

VISITORS at the Annual Meeting included W. M. McFeely, chairman, and James F. Bunting, U.S. National Board YMCA; Joel Nystrom and Earle Buckley, International Committee YMCA headquarters; James Edgar, World Alliance; World Service fraternal secretaries Don Marks, Venezuela, and Gordon Ramsay, Jamaica; Mrs. J. Ruby, president, Mrs. F. Hotson, World Service chairman, and Miss A. Roy, executive director, YWCA of Canada; Hugh Christie, External Aid Office; Terry Glavin, Canadian University Service Overseas; Patrick Coggins, Guyana; and James Chequidera, Zambia.

IN MEMORIAM

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Robert A. Taylor
Physical Director, St. Catharines
March 25, 1966

DEDICATION OF THE CANADIAN YMCA CENTENNIAL PROJECT

Geneva Park is a facility provided by The National Council of the Young Men's Christian Associations of Canada through the generosity of its members and friends to fulfil the following aims:

- To provide the locale for leadership training, conferences, seminars and retreats, where leaders — lay and professional — can meet together for training, exploration and sharing.
- To provide the facilities and climate where leaders may renew their spiritual powers.
- To provide secretaries with an opportunity to study and obtain certification credits.
- To provide a vacation place for young people under Christian Leadership.
- To operate a Family Camp for the families of Secretaries and Laymen.
- To provide a centre to experiment, demonstrate and test new programs that can become "exportable programs" to all Associations in Canada.

OVER THE YEARS

1908

"We supply tent, cot and mattress. The tents are mostly 12 × 12 × 6, and are very comfortable. Married couples or families wishing tents by themselves should make special arrangements. Board and lodgings: Men, $7 per week; women, $5; $1.50 per day for less than one week. The Camp is open to women accompanying their husbands or other male relatives in attendance at the Institute or Camp. The bathing is fine." *(from a brochure on "Camp Couchiching.")*

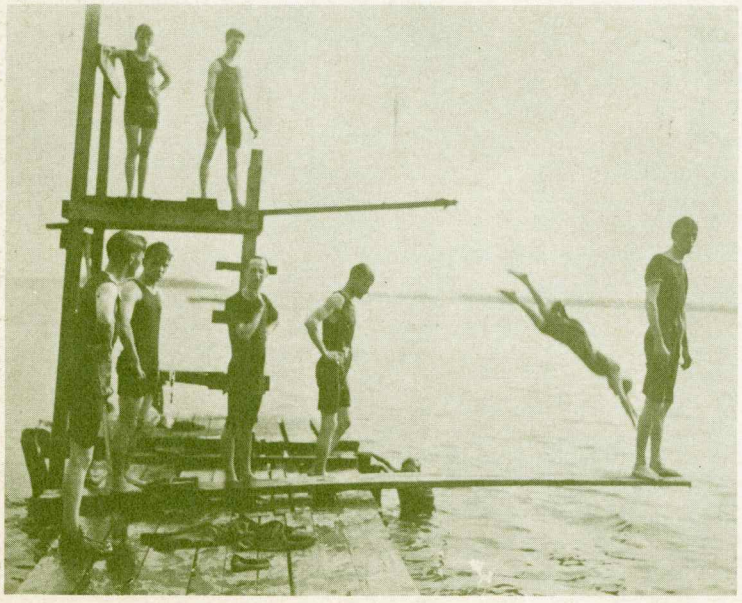
Geneva Park

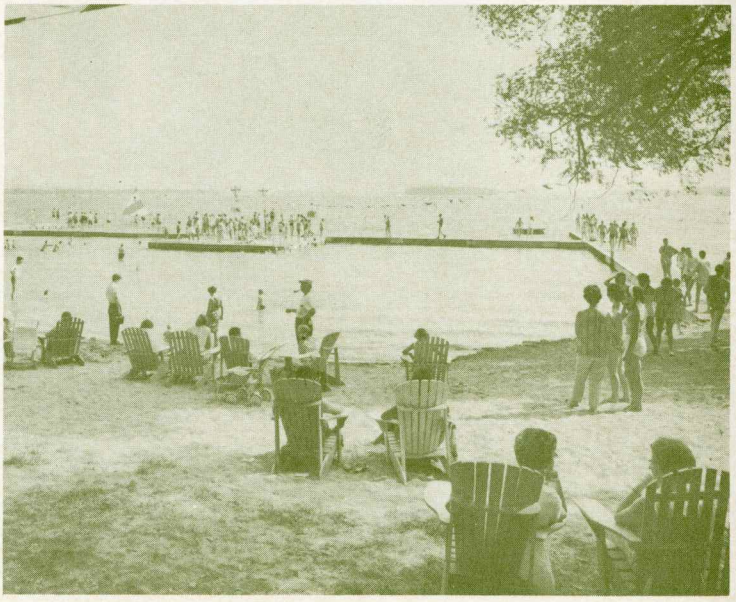
YMCA

1966

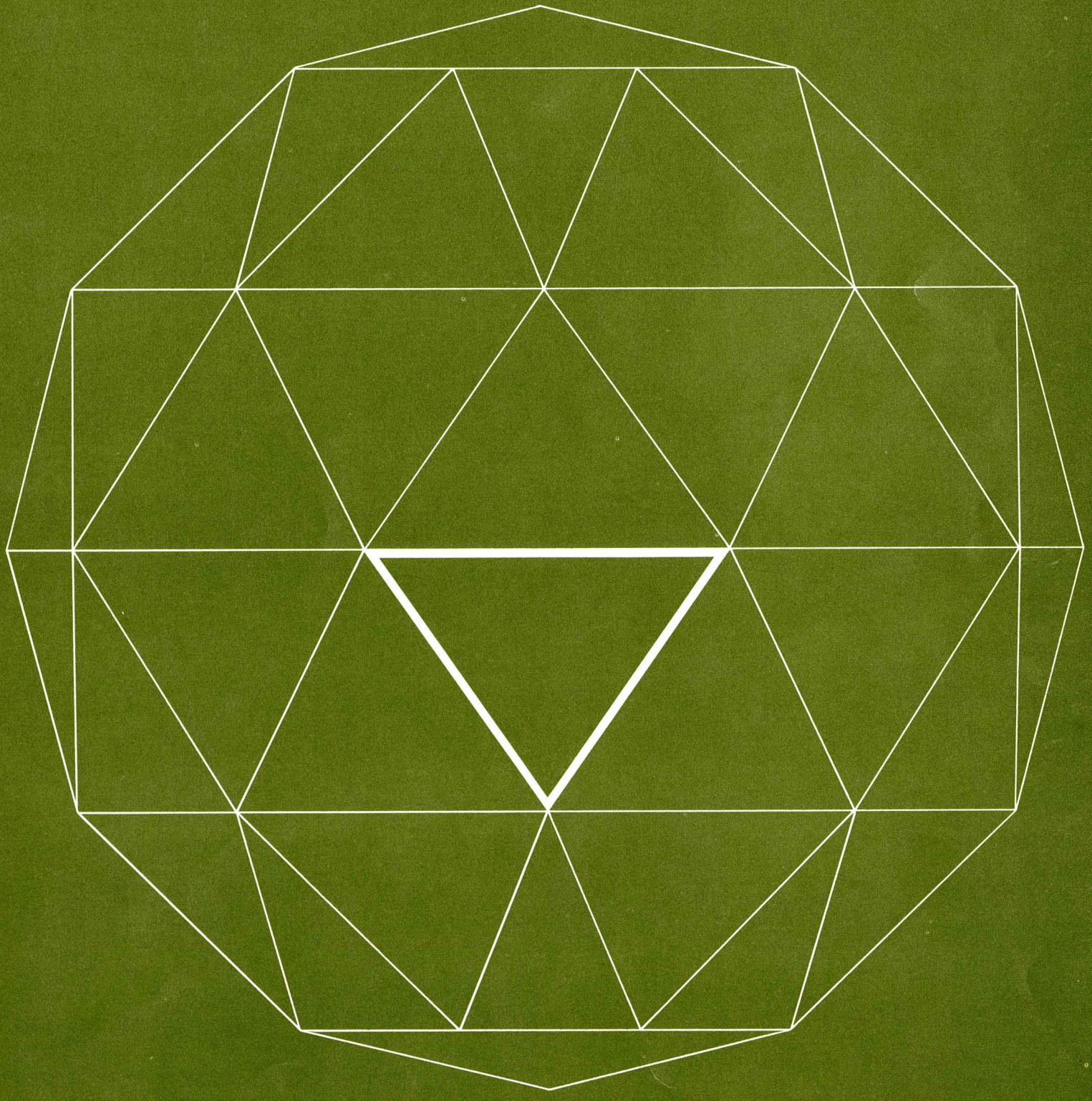
"This modern building provides 48 bedrooms, each with twin beds, tastefully decorated and furnished, with 4-piece bathroom and individually-controlled electric heating. Comfortable lounge with large field-stone fireplace seats 60; mezzanine, 80. Beautiful dining-room overlooking the lake accommodates 250, includes snack bar, meeting room and chapel. This completely self-contained conference unit is the finest of its kind on the continent." *(From brochure on "Geneva Park.")*

At bottom left, 1912 aquatics at Geneva Park are in full swing. At right, is shown the same scene 53 years later.





YMCA ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1965 / THE 'Y' IN THE WORLD



The cover, designed by John Zurbo to complement the world service issue before the 1966 Annual Meeting, focuses attention on the central position of the 'Y' triangle in more than 80 countries around the world.

The Young Men's Christian Association is a world-wide fellowship united by a common loyalty to Jesus Christ for the purpose of building Christian personality and a Christian society.
in Canada the YMCAs and YMCA-YWCAs join to form a National Council.
• to foster a cohesive National Canadian Movement and a sense of belonging to a world-wide Christian fellowship
• to assist and coordinate the work of Canadian Ys in the fulfillment of the purposes of the YMCA
• to cooperate with other national and international agencies with purposes consistent with the YMCA

Members are invited to visit the National Offices at 2160 Yonge Street Toronto (boardroom shown lower left) and the new Canadian YMCA conference and training centre, (Geneva Court lounge shown lower right) at Geneva Park on Lake Couchiching, near Orillia, Ontario.

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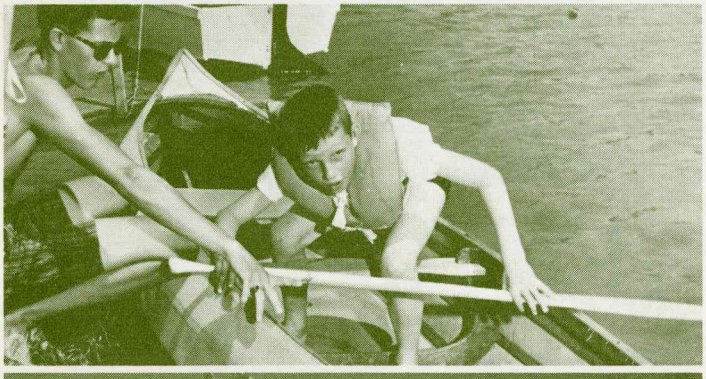


YMCA ACROSS CANADA

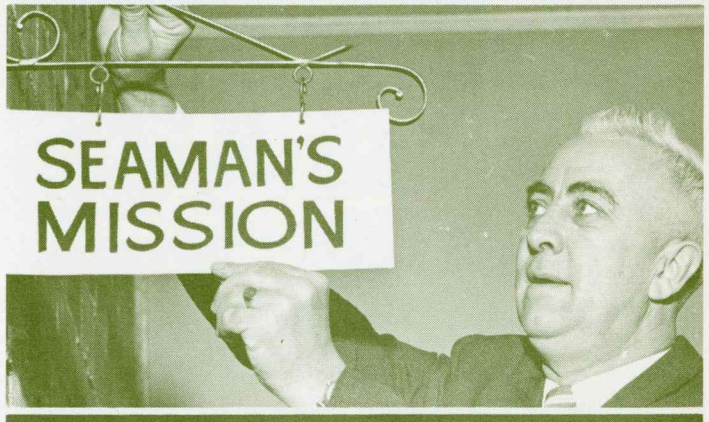
Who did anything? We did! — 180,000 of us.
What did the YMCA do in Canada in the last year?

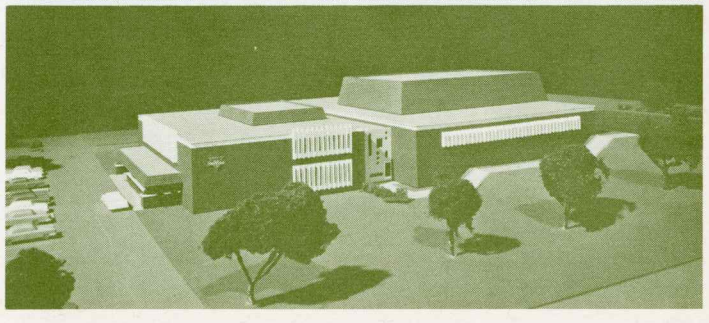
We helped: more than 15,000 persons led Y groups with a total enrollment of 393,000 participants. In top photo, nine YMCA volunteers from the Elmwood-Kildonan YMCA in Winnipeg headed north to teach Indian children to swim.

We became fit: Skill schools, athletic competitions, and business men's clubs flourished. The Leader's Corps recorded an all-time high of 1,971 certified members in 199 corps groups. Shown in second photo are young leaders at the summer program at Geneva Park, the YMCA Leadership Training and Conference Centre for Canada.

We swam: in 62 pools across the country 15,800 persons earned YMCA swimming awards in 1965. The field of scuba and skin diving had a record 1200 qualifications. In the third photo a class is under way in the Lachine-Dorval YMCA pool.

We camped: 24,500 of us, at 48 'Y' residence campsites and more than 70 day campsites. In the fourth photo, a day camp youngster learns the intricacies of canoe departure from his "Y" counsellor at a YMCA day-camp. Below an adventurer scales a peak at YMCA Camp Elphinstone, Vancouver YMCA camp. (Photo courtesy of Brian Mitchell)





And the boys played on: With a membership of nearly 50,000 boys under 18, scenes such as the one on the soccer field at Burnaby YMCA (top right), were repeated across the land.

So did the girls, as shown in second photo. 30,000 young ladies under the age of eighteen were enrolled members of YWCA's or YMCA-YWCA's. Gymnasts were tops in the intermediate class at the Dartmouth YMCA-YWCA Invitational Gymnastic Meet for the Maritime Provinces.

And we matured in the 'Y': our young adult membership range rose to almost 45,000 registered members.

We enjoyed ourselves: The Hi-Y groups continued their reputation for attractive program. (Middle photo), a Hi-Y president demonstrates the finer points of pool to fellow members at the Greater Niagara YMCA. There are 581 registered Hi-Y groups across the country.

And we expanded and planned to expand:
at right the general secretary of the Saint John YMCA, can be seen affixing the new sign for the Seaman's Institute which has recently moved to 'Y' premises. At bottom is architect's model of Guelph YMCA-YWCA.

Did you realize?

- That across the country last year the YMCA conducted 88,000 interviews with individuals?
- That there were 17,000 board members in Associations across Canada — that means 150 board and committee members as an average in each YMCA!

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To — Member Associations of The Young Men's Christian Association of Canada —

This is the report of the 54th year of your National Council. It was a year in which much was accomplished to strengthen the movement and accelerate its work in the immediate years ahead. For the past two years, the President's Committee has been implementing the new organization structure, which, at the year-end was almost completed. The effects of our new plan should be very noticeable in the months ahead.

GENEVA PARK

Our Leadership Training and Conference Centre at Geneva Park is being rebuilt and will be ready for its official opening on June 18th, 1966. It will be one of the most outstanding conference centres of its kind and will be operated on a year-round basis. It has been financed by friends of the YMCA and member associations. The re-building and commissioning of this new centre is a most fitting way in which the YMCA's throughout Canada will celebrate Canada's Centennial. Training courses for both staff and laymen will now be accelerated. In addition, these facilities will be made available to all kindred organizations genuinely interested in the spiritual, intellectual and physical development of youth, regardless of race, creed or colour. Geneva Park, the national home of the Canadian YMCA, will be the scene of many important youth conferences — both national and international — in the months to come.

WORLD SERVICE

Young Canadians have before them not only an opportunity, but also a challenge, to make a notable contribution to the cause of world understanding and tolerance by spending a couple of years, after University, in some effective foreign service. Scores of developing countries — for example, in Africa and Asia — are in great need of teachers, agriculturists, engineers, etc. An exposure to this need and a first-hand encounter with some of the world's great wants and problems, will not only mature these young men and women but also make them very much aware of their rich inheritance. The YMCA is proud of its personnel who are serving the cause of youth in many far-away countries. It is hoped that the leadership training and conference facilities at Geneva Park may become a focal point for programs planned for this purpose. Canada has no finer ambassadors than its young people who do an effective job in lesser developed countries.

ASSOCIATION and OVERSEAS VISITS

During the past twelve months, I have visited 38 Associations in Canada and hope to complete my objective of visiting all 127 Associations before our Annual Meeting in June. In addition, visits have been made to many Associations in four countries in the Orient and to six Associations in West, South and East Africa. What an interesting and meaningful experience this has been! It has provided a first-rate opportunity to see the variety of service the YMCA offers in each area and through discussions with laymen and staff, I have learned that the problems of the YMCA world-wide are much the same. It has demonstrated also, what a great fellowship the YMCA really is and the contribution it makes to world understanding by bringing together people of such varied racial and cultural backgrounds. I am extremely impressed

W. Harold Rea, President

with the number of prominent laymen in these countries who give generously of their time, talents and substance to the work of the YMCA.

LEADERSHIP — OUR GREATEST NEED

The Canadian YMCA is aware of the unprecedented opportunities for service to the youth of Canada but is handicapped in accepting the full challenge through the lack of sufficient volunteer and permanent staff. The age of automation is providing people with more leisure time. How will it be used? The YMCA is capable of helping people find interesting, meaningful and healthful ways of utilizing this added leisure. The YMCA needs interested young laymen who will give themselves, their abilities and resources, to promote the objectives and influence of the YMCA. Their assistance is needed in enlisting prospects for the professional staff with leadership qualities who are more interested in how they can best use their God-given talents in the service of mankind, than in how much material treasure they can accumulate.

During the past year much attention has been given to the matter of the lay-staff relationships and the respective responsibilities of each member of this partnership. The recommended approach to this problem is a series of short-term workshops or seminars to assist directors, volunteer staff and permanent staff to get a clearer picture of their respective roles.

The search for talented staff must go on and on, because we will always be losing some of our top secretaries to challenging positions in education, industry and public service where their training and experience can be so useful. The YMCA does not regard this as a loss but, on the contrary, takes pride in the number of former YMCA secretaries now serving our country in positions of great responsibility.

FINANCIAL CAMPAIGNS

Many YMCA buildings throughout Canada are outmoded and in need of immediate replacement or major renovation. This can be achieved only through a financial appeal to the whole community — individuals, corporations and charitable foundations. Currently, there are from eight to ten such campaigns each year and this will likely continue because, in addition, many new communities are planning for YMCA's. The overall annual capital requirements approximate $10,000,000. Inasmuch as charitable foundations and corporations must plan their support to projects of this kind in advance, it is desirable that they be advised at the beginning of the year of all proposed YMCA campaigns planned for the ensuing twelve months.

STAFF

Our capable General Secretary and staff have had a busy year caused in part by the implementation of the new organization structure. Many have been called upon to do double duty where vacancies occurred. Their efforts and enthusiasm are reflected in the broader scope of work now undertaken at the national level.

NATIONAL COUNCIL FUNCTION

The laymen and staff of your National Council seek to give leadership to the whole movement in Canada and undertake those tasks which can be most economically dealt with by a central body on behalf of all.

The recruitment and training of leadership occupies a high priority of our time and resources. In the immediate period ahead, it must be intensified. Program services and research into new techniques somewhat neglected in the past two years, will have high priority in the year ahead.

The relationship with so many allied organizations is time-consuming but important if we are to avoid needless duplication. Your National Council serves as the contact with YMCAs in other countries and represents Canada at the World Alliance.

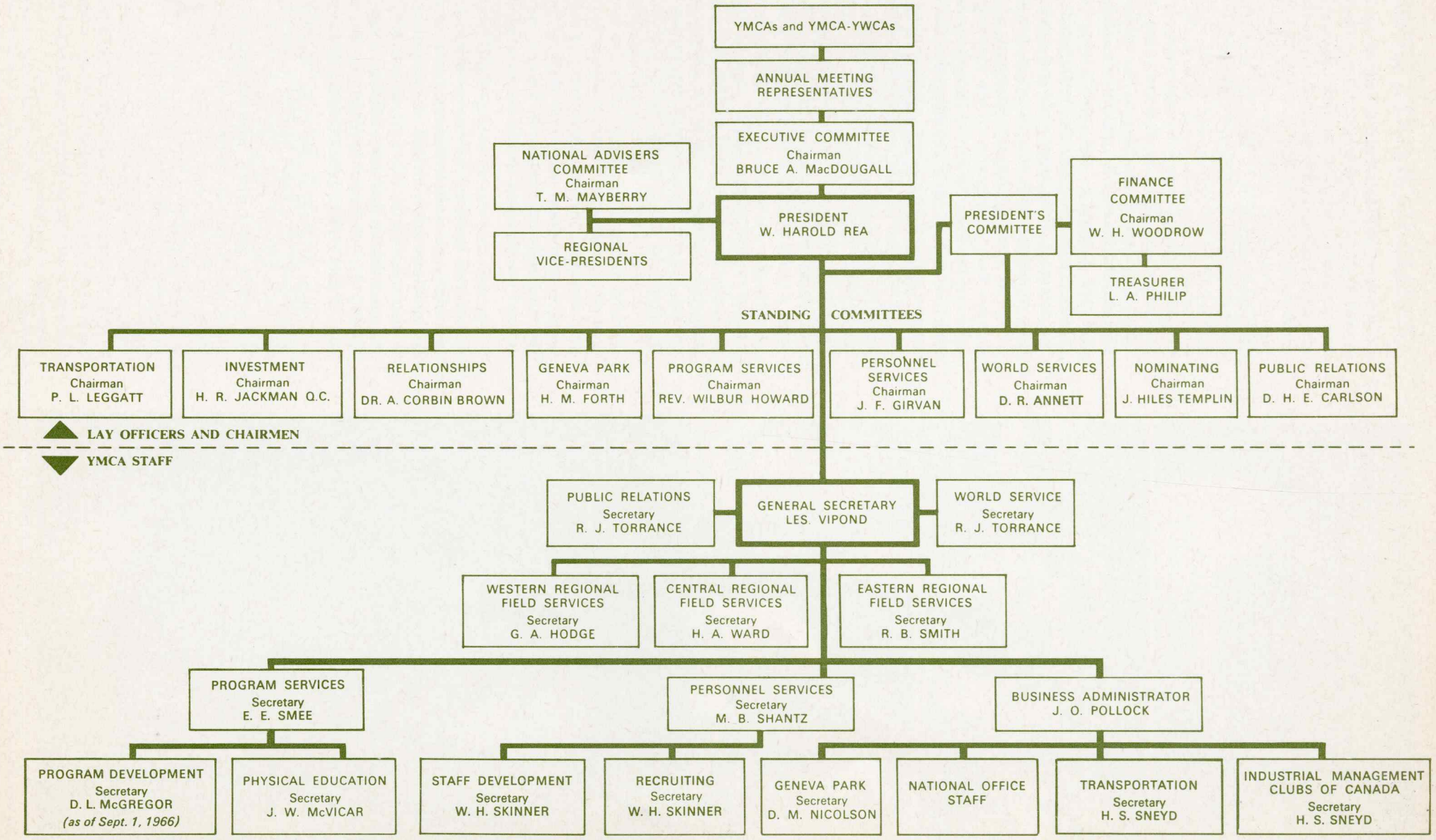
The missionary enterprise of the Canadian YMCA is coordinated and administered through our World Service Committee. Our present program is commendable, and a source of great pride to all of us, nevertheless the plans for the future are most exciting, as we seek to find ways of making an ever greater impact with our program in other lands.

We are ever-mindful of our "image" and conscious of how others see us. No matter what the "image" may be, we must press aggressively forward in service to our fellow men, particularly our young people in their spiritual, intellectual and physical development in order to make our maximum contribution to the building of a Christian society at home and abroad.

President

PLAN OF ORGANIZATION

Not shown are projects:
(1) Fitness — D. L. McGregor
(2) Lanark County — E. E. Smee



GENERAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

This was the first complete year of the National Council reorganization plan. It was not the complete plan that was in operation at the year end although it had been implemented to a large degree. Certainly we have had enough experience with the plan to know that it is a good plan, that it will work, that it can be the means of releasing personnel resources — both lay and staff — of National Council so that the Council can provide more significant leadership to the movement in this country and abroad.

The National Council Annual Meeting was held in June in Vancouver. This was the first time that we had ever taken the Annual Meeting so far afield. It was a great success, thanks to the splendid hospitality of our friends in British Columbia, the superb west coast weather, an excellent program, and the enthusiastic participation of the delegates. The Centennial Fund campaign was successfully launched, with the Canadian Associations pledging $130,000 toward the development of the facilities at Geneva Park. The quality of the meeting was notable because of the high calibre of thought-provoking speeches, and the visit of His Excellency, the Governor-General.

We endeavoured at the meeting to come to grips with the philosophy of YMCA program and the type of leadership the Association would need to develop in order to implement such a philosophy. A statement entitled, "Program and People" had been prepared by the Program and Personnel Services Committee. This statement set forth a point of view that suggested the measure of a Y's success was in terms of its ability to motivate people toward mutual responsibility in a Christian context. This document has been used a great deal since last June and probably deserves even more attention than it has received, but the discussions at the Annual Meeting failed to penetrate to the total implication of the statement. The central issue in the discussion groups became the role of leadership and the part played by professional staff and by laymen in exercising that role. This is indeed an important and vital part of the issue — but not the entire issue. We were not content with the degree to which we had resolved these questions in Vancouver and agreed that further involvement would be necessary.

Les Vipond, General Secretary

The next step was an enlarged and lengthened Executive Committee meeting at Geneva Park in October, to which lay and staff representatives from some of the larger Associations were invited. A new mark was established at this meeting in terms of understanding the nature of the partnership between staff and lay leaders and the quality of involvement necessary for the exercise of leadership in the field of interpersonal relations.

Several projects at the individual Association and regional level have been held or projected since that time. This concern for improved understanding has launched the YMCA on a much needed emphasis in its development. Much remains to be done. The program philosophy issue has barely been touched. Most of the committees and all of the staff of National Council should be involved in working on the next steps of this process as part of their regular assignments.

And speaking of assignments, let's take a look in the following pages at what some of our committees and staff have been doing as they operated during 1965 under the new plan of organization.

WORLD SERVICE

World Service Study under the leadership of Dr. Harry F. Hall was completed and the results and implications will be the major item on the 1966 Annual Meeting program. Associations contributed a record $185,000 to World Service.

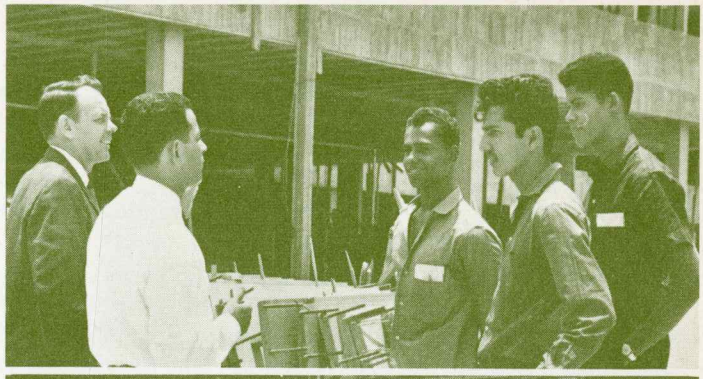
The Canadian YMCA is deservedly proud of its fraternal secretaries in overseas posts — Ready in Nigeria, Ramsay in Jamaica, Smythe in Ethiopia, Diamantides in Greece, Marks in Venezuela and Faulkner in Thailand. Jack Dunderdale on the World Alliance staff is another Canadian who represents us with distinction. However, the Canadian YMCA has about twice as many representatives serving in overseas posts in a variety of temporary positions. These would include six summer volunteers and two 1-year volunteers with the World Alliance and UNRWA in the Middle East, Student World Service Workers in Lebanon and Thailand, and six others in various positions in British Guiana, Japan, India and Venezuela.

Another phase of our East-West Exchange program was completed last year when four young visitors from the USSR visited Western Canada. The United Nations Seminar now open to laymen was held in New York in November. Another 'Round-the-World Service Tour was conducted in April and May, with 19 participants. Another group attended the World Council meeting in Japan in August, visiting five countries in the Far East, and observing Association work following the Council meeting.

An important feature of the year was the International Cooperation Year project under which the Canadian YMCA organized a travelling coaching clinic to the British West Indies in July. Fifteen coaches under the leadership of Dr. Bryce Taylor visited four Caribbean countries and provided 600 coaching hours of instruction for 1,700 participants in 18 different sports.

This year we were visited by 13 secretaries from 11 countries who saw a large number of the Canadian Associations. We continue to give staff time and financial support to Canadian Service for Overseas Students and Trainees, and the World Mission Committee of the Student Christian Movement.

Don Marks (top picture) (at left), Fraternal Secretary to Venezuela YMCA, and Hernandes Romero, talk with YMCA members at site of new YMCA in Caracas. In photo below, Gordon Ramsay (right), Fraternal Secretary to Jamaica YMCA, with members and staff at the Jamaican YMCA. In third picture two "generations" of Student YMCA World Service Workers, Murray Cain (Canada) (left) and Jim Chamberas (USA) (right) draw water from the faithful stream in the village of Ras-El Matin, Lebanon while a young Lebanese citizen oversees the chore. In photo second from bottom are (left to right) Jean Larin, newly-appointed executive secretary of CSOST; C. Chetsanga (Rhodesia), chairman steering committee; Dr. Grace Maynard, liaison officer, voluntary agencies, External Affairs Office; and, E. E. Smee, national YMCA program services secretary, as they met together at Geneva Park for an evaluation session on Canada's program for overseas students and trainees. In bottom picture Cam Shields (left) Canadian volunteer to the YMCA International Work Camp in the Middle East, shares a moment with a Palestinian friend.



PERSONNEL SERVICES

The principles enunciated in the "Program and People" document presented at the 1965 National Council Annual Meeting have been accepted by the committee as a basis for the selection, education and training of YMCA secretaries. They envision the YMCA secretary as a Christian educator, working in the field of inter-personal relations; an adaptable and flexible person, able to cope with change, with special training, insights and knowledge in the social and behavioural sciences.

Alternative methods of meeting the professional education requirements for the certification of YMCA secretaries, as developed by the Professional Education Committee have been endorsed by the Personnel Committee for approval at the 1966 Annual Meeting. The move by Canadian Secretaries to separate the Canadian Association of YMCA Secretaries from the North American Association of YMCA Secretaries, will have important implications for the training and accrediting of YMCA secretaries in the future. A new system of personnel records is being developed, which will give the National Council better placement methods and services for member Associations.

During 1965, twelve Canadian YMCA secretaries were granted senior classification by the Board of Certification:

Richard Capling	— Hamilton	Allan Moffat	— Hamilton
Ronald Cole	— Montreal	Douglas McEwen	— Winnipeg
William Douglas	— Montreal	Bruce McFarlane	— Montreal
Colin Hatcher	— Regina	Peter Noble	— Regina
Carole Lennox	— Montreal	Arthur Perry	— St. Catharines
Gordon Maycock	— Windsor	Harold Studholme	— Winnipeg

Eleven national training events were conducted which involved 127 secretaries and 48 laymen. In addition, three regional events and several local staff training projects were held with the help of national staff members.

The Canadian YMCA Youth Fund continued to provide financial help for students preparing for the YMCA Secretaryship. Twenty-one undergraduate students received bursaries valued at $9,400 and four experienced YMCA secretaries doing graduate work received grants totalling $5,000. In addition, 19 other grants were given to students from such sources as the A. E. Silverwood Foundation, the Inter-Provincial Women's Auxiliary, the General Secretaries' Bursary Fund, the Toronto 'Y' Wives, and the S. J. Moore Award. The Student Loan Fund was strengthened during the year with a bequest of $2,500 from the late Harry Ballantyne. Because of the increasing requests for financial assistance, the Committee has regretfully had to restrict the bursaries to students who are in their last two years of University.

Active recruiting continued although staff leadership was curtailed when Dave Nicolson was reassigned to Geneva Park on a full time basis. At the end of the year there were 225 prospects in High School, 401 at University, and 134 employed in other fields, who planned to enter YMCA employment.

An interim revision of the Suggested Salary Ranges was prepared and circulated to all Associations during the year. There were 265 secretaries, and 156 Group II employees at the end of the year for a total of 421.

RELATIONSHIPS

A new committee under the chairmanship of Dr. Corbin A. Brown, and with H. Arnold Ward as secretary, has had an active year. YMCA relationships with other organizations (and they have risen to over 100) have been classified. The categories of relationships include Active, Consultative, Endorsement and Exchange of Literature. This committee also prepared a YMCA brief to the Ontario Select Committee on Youth in cooperation with the National Vice-Presidents in the Ontario region and the Toronto Association. Our relationship with the YWCA of Canada is conducted by this committee, and the YMCA-YWCA Joint Committee which is chaired by W. Lockwood Miller of London reports to the National Council of YMCA's through our Relationships Committee. The YMCA-YWCA joint committee works in fields where special services are needed by YMCA-YWCA's such as Finance, Membership, World Service, Personnel, Physical program, Non-physical program, and Public Relations.

PROGRAM SERVICES

Some of the trends that have been encouraged by National Council are shown by reports of membership, group and leadership statistics. Last year, (1965) an increase in membership of over 11% seems to indicate an increasing participation in adult fitness classes, particularly for men; a larger number of teenagers in groups — particularly Hi-Y; more younger boys; more girls; and a strong and successful camping program. There does not seem to be a significant increase in adult education programs or other programs for Young Adults. However, a successful National Young Adult Conference was held at Minaki in the spring. A national young adult committee was organized to prepare for the World Young Adult Conference, which will be held at Geneva Park in 1968.

Many all time highs were recorded in physical education. We have 199 leaders corps groups in 53 Associations with 1,971 members of these corps certified by the National office, and now have 100 full time physical educators on our staff.

Six provincial and district conferences for leaders' corps members were held during the year and a new book, "The Leaders' Corps Guide" was published. A new YMCA Swimming Manual is being prepared for publication.

The Physical Education Society of North America, honoured Arvo Tiidus and Taimo Pallandi, elevating them to the rank of "Fellows in Physical Education". Our National Secretary for Physical Education, Wes McVicar, was recognized by the Canadian Association for Physical and Health Education and Recreation at their 1965 conference where he was presented with their Honour Award and a Citation for his contribution to Physical Education in Canada.

Weight slimming programs are attracting members to the YMCA by the thousands. In the Canadian Volleyball Championships in 1965 YMCA teams placed first, second and third. In 1965 the following Associations won the Crocker Awards in their respective classifications for all-round achievement in Physical Education and Aquatic programs: A — Midland; AA — Montreal International; AAA — Victoria and Winnipeg St. James (tied); and AAAA — Calgary Central.

The Directorate for Physical Fitness and Amateur Sport of the Federal Government provided the funds for the International Cooperation Year project and subsidized our Physical Skill School held at Geneva Park in August, and the Boys' Leaders Corps camp in July. A new feature was added last year in the Leaders' Corps camp for girls conducted in cooperation with the YWCA under the sponsorship of the Federal Government.

The National Committee launched an anti-cigarette smoking campaign during the year which has been featured in many member Associations.

We were privileged to be able to continue the Adult Fitness Project through 1965 under the leadership of Don McGregor, costs for which were borne by the Physical Fitness Directorate in Ottawa. Activities ranged from pilot studies on smoking and exercise, attitudes toward beverage alcohol, and a circuit training program for badminton players (of which 500 copies have been distributed), to 204 different projects in direct leadership involving thousands of Canadians.

TRANSPORTATION

Few industries in Canada are undergoing as many and as rapid changes as the Railway industry. This has affected YMCA operations on the lines. From the point of view of the Railways, the need for certain YMCAs no longer exists. Two Associations on the C.N.R. were closed during the year and at year end the remaining two on the C.P.R. were in process of being closed.

Those that remain however — all on the C.N.R. — are stronger than ever, and our Transportation Department feels that they should be continued as long as the YMCA and the Railway agree that they are serving the purposes for which they were established. We receive fine cooperation from the Railways.

During 1965 there were twelve different Railway YMCAs. The secretary who gives half time to this work spent 74 days visiting these Associations. In the course of 53 visits he travelled 43,868 miles — all by rail!

FIELD SERVICE STAFF

A specific task was given to the Field Service Secretaries suggesting that they would provide leadership and counsel to Associations in helping them achieve the objectives and goals established by the National Council. In doing this the Field Service Secretary coordinates and schedules all aspects of National Council activities concerning the needs of the field. The report places emphasis on systematic evaluations of programs, personnel policies, administration and community relations.

In 1965 the Field Service staff provided head office service for Associations through phone calls, correspondence, and the obtaining of information for Associations from National Council departments and other sources; it involved visits to Associations arranged either through the initiative of the Associations involved or the initiative of our staff. Sometimes these visits involved problem-solving situations — most common problems being finances, public relations and personnel questions; occasionally full scale consultations were provided for Associations by the Field Service staff; as well as community studies, and staff development programs. Frequently the Field Service staff arranged for other National Council staff to provide some specific service to an Association.

Extension was also a major responsibility given to the Field Service staff by the reorganization plan. During 1965 Extension work was done with Pictou County, Bermuda, Whitby, Streetsville, Simcoe and Prince George.

All but eleven of the Canadian Associations were visited by the Field staff during the year. The three Field Service secretaries spent an average of 108 days each in the field during the year. This represents a great deal of sacrificial work considering that each of these men was carrying extra committee assignments not included in his Job Description. In addition to this, various program responsibilities were farmed out to the Field Service Secretaries because we were short two Program staff members during the last six months of the year. As these positions are filled in 1966 more time will be available for Field Services.

There are, however, many problems to be solved and arrangements to be worked out. One of the most important is the relationship between Field Services staff and Program Services staff. 1965 has been a "get-acquainted" period for Field Services staff and we have not yet been successful in obtaining as many specialized services from other members of the staff for the field as we think is desirable. This will be accelerated when the staff is completed.

The Field Service staff meets regularly and is working on several projects. One of the most important and difficult is the matter of finding ways of evaluating Associations in such areas as program, administration, community relations and personnel practices. Progress is being made on this and at the end of the year a pilot project was under way in the Halifax Association. The Field Services staff has challenged us to improve our services to the Association in the administration of personnel and also in the matter of finding better methods of involving YMCA people across Canada in the decisions of the National Council.

EXTENSION

Activity in this field has already been reported in connection with the Field Services staff, but the committee also continues to be active as part of the Program Services Division. During the year a release was effected from the old agreement regarding the establishment of YMCA-YWCA's and the committee and field services staff is now free to go into new communities to establish YMCA's without the obligation to promote YMCA-YWCA's. A continuous effort is being made to make new YMCA's more relevant, experimenting especially with the Community Development approach. The major demonstration of this approach has been in Lanark County with a special three-year project by the National Council with the use of Youth Fund monies. This Lanark Project may provide answers on how to develop new patterns of service in geographical areas where hitherto the 'Y' has not succeeded in solving the economics of its existence.

GENEVA PARK REPORT

This was an exciting and busy year in what may well have been the period of greatest change in the Park's history. This year saw the planning and development of the Canadian YMCA Centennial Project, the two new buildings, the Lodge and the Auditorium which will form part of a new Conference Centre. Construction work commenced early in July. This project has been our major objective and is now completed.

In addition to the new Lodge which can accommodate 100 guests, and the Auditorium which will seat about 250 as well as providing conference rooms, offices and a refreshment centre, other new acquisitions include — a renovated gymnasium, a new hard top playing area, parking spaces, new roads and considerable landscaping.

With the assistance of Don McGregor, National Director of the Physical Fitness Project, the Park conducted our newest Physical Fitness Project, with some seventy-five adults included in the program.

The number and variety of conferences that were held at Geneva Park during 1965 and the total attendance at the Park, reached a new high. Some interesting comparative statistics indicate the growth in the past year.

	1965	1964
Total Y sponsored Events	25	20
Other Conference Groups, total	53	38
Total Conference Attendance	4,074	3,357
Total Conference Guest Days	24,451	19,660
Total Camp Days	38,946	31,958
Total Meals Served	85,744	76,423

It is clear, however, that while the YMCA use of the Park is expanding rapidly with more training courses for both professional and volunteer personnel, other groups with concerns for bettering life in Canada are finding in Geneva Park an excellent facility for their planning and training programs.

The Park operated well within its budget during the year, indicating that financially it is on a sound basis. Total income was $246,499, as compared to expenditures of $241,716. Leaving a surplus of $4,733.

Growth and development of people are Geneva Park's chief reasons for existence. The supreme test of the Park's effectiveness is in what happens in the lives of conference attendees, guests, leaders and family groups that spend time there each year. The new facilities that have been provided for the Park will make this task easier to achieve.

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

During 1965 we increased our public liability coverage to $1,000,000. We received bequests from the estate of P. M. McCarrell for World Service and the estate of Harry Ballantyne for the Student Loan Fund.

The formula basis of support from YMCA-YWCA's was revised so that 45% goes to the YWCA of Canada instead of the 40% they received previously. The transfer of Canadian endowment funds formerly held by the U.S. National Council Board of Trustees was negotiated. The committee recommended that only those Associations that have completed their payments to the Annual Meeting Travel Pool may participate in the travel pool in the following year.

At Geneva Park the property tax structure was renegotiated and authorization was given for the erection of new buildings.

We ended the year with a small surplus at the cost of being incompletely staffed with the Program Services position filled for only six months, the Staff Development position for a total of four months and the Program Development position not at all.

AUDITORS' REPORT

To The Members,
The National Council of Young Men's
Christian Associations of Canada

We have examined the accompanying condensed financial statements of The National Council of Young Men's Christian Associations of Canada for the year ended December 31, 1965 comprising the balance sheet as at that date and the statement of income and expenditure and working capital, and the schedules of the Youth Fund and the Centennial Fund for the year then ended. Our examination included a general review of the accounting procedures and such tests of accounting records and other supporting evidence as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion the aforementioned financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Council as at December 31, 1965 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

February 25, 1966

Riddell, Stead, Graham & Hutchison
Chartered Accountants

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS OF CANADA

Statement of Income and Expenditure and Working Capital for the year ended December 31, 1965

	1965	1964
INCOME		
Associations allocations	$ 188,844	$ 183,508
Non-association solicitation	3,098	1,721
Investment income including endowment	21,312	14,251
Special donations	1,360	5,214
Rental income	13,853	13,650
Sale of supplies	3,569	4,044
Refunds — staff service	9,803	11,605
— railway companies	5,724	6,169
— world service	20,121	12,757
Service charge	7,493	4,970
Geneva Park operations	4,733	4,742
	$ 279,910	$ 262,631
EXPENDITURE		
Salaries and wages	$ 151,856	$ 146,427
Retirement and group insurance	10,299	9,748
Departmental expenses	35,892	33,398
General office	16,369	13,700
Building operation (including provision for replacement of $13,000 each year)	30,853	31,466
Appropriations	22,490	26,376
Allocations not recovered	1,615	—
World service	3,607	—
	$ 272,981	$ 261,115
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURE	$ 6,929	$ 1,516
Working capital as at December 31, 1964	1,556	
WORKING CAPITAL AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1965	$ 8,485	

SUMMARY OF GENEVA PARK OPERATIONS

for the year ended December 31, 1965

	1965	1964
Income	$ 246,449	$ 202,559
Expenditures	241,716	197,817
Excess of income over expenditure	$ 4,733	$ 4,742

Including provision for replacement of $30,000 each year.

YOUTH FUND STATEMENT OF NET EXPENDITURE

For the year ended December 31, 1965

Projects:		
Personnel — scholarships	$ 16,366	
— training	4,839	
— recruiting	6,998	$ 28,203
Extension		11,126
Lanark County		10,935
Other		1,445
Vancouver YMCA		8,224
Fund loan receivable written off		16,693
Miscellaneous		928
		77,554
Less — Pledges received	152	
Interest and dividends	23,571	23,723
Net Expenditure		$ 53,831

CENTENNIAL FUND

For the year ended December 31, 1965
(which covers the period from inception)

Subscriptions received	$325,896
Interest income	5,362
Pledges receivable	456,251
	$787,509
Less — Campaign expenses	2,193
CENTENNIAL FUND AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1965	$785,316

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS OF CANADA

Condensed Balance Sheet as at December 31, 1965 with comparative figures for 1964

ASSETS	1965	1964	LIABILITIES	1965	1964
OPERATING FUND					
Cash	$ 13,228	$ 8,512	Accounts payable	$ 3,807	$ 2,505
Investments — at cost (value at quoted market prices $12,487)	15,000	15,000	Funds held for allied groups	34,960	53,996
Accounts receivable	16,467	31,785	Deferred income	2,930	2,849
Prepaid expenses	5,487	5,609		41,697	59,350
			Working capital	8,485	1,556
	$ 50,182	**$ 60,906**		**$ 50,182**	**$ 60,906**
CAPITAL, ENDOWMENT, YOUTH AND CENTENNIAL FUNDS					
Cash	$ 95,820	$ 29,921	Banker's advance re Geneva Park	$ 41,964	$ 65,552
Investments — at cost (value at quoted market prices $884,739)	834,306	713,591	Accounts payable	142,799	15,994
Accounts receivable — campaign pledges	586,025	260,860		184,763	81,546
Accounts receivable — other	10,094	10,361	Capital fund	1,553,674	1,550,010
Prepaid insurance	1,087	—	Endowment funds (Canadian)	226,787	162,715
	1,527,332	1,014,733	Endowment funds (held in U.S. — expressed in Canadian dollars	186,293	186,076
Land, buildings and equipment — at cost					
National office	463,841	460,142	Youth fund — education and extension	589,973	643,804
Geneva Park	1,178,664	1,197,276	Centennial fund	785,316	—
	1,642,505	1,657,418			
Less — Allowance for replacement	91,000	48,000			
	1,551,505	1,609,418			
Buildings under construction — at cost (Note)	447,969	—			
	1,999,474				
	$3,526,806	**$2,624,151**		**$3,526,806**	**$2,624,151**

Note — A total construction budget of $840,000 has been approved by the Finance Committee of which approximately $400,000 is yet to be expended.

TRUST FUNDS					
Cash	$ 14,772	$ 8,315	Accounts payable	$ 193	$ —
Investments — at cost (value at quoted market prices $31,300)	34,000	10,000	Trust funds	55,149	25,771
Student loans receivable	5,451	6,337			
Accounts receivable	1,119	1,119			
	$ 55,342	**$ 25,771**		**$ 55,342**	**$ 25,771**
TOTAL ASSETS	**$3,632,330**	**$2,710,828**	TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUNDS	**$3,632,330**	**$2,710,828**

Here are the YMCAS/YMCA-YWCAS which are members of the National Council of YMCAS of Canada, with Presidents listed at National office as of May 31, 1966:

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Galt & District YMCA	R. A. Burnes
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Greater Niagara YMCA	A. Yule
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North Toronto YMCA	D. G. Lawson
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Lakeshore YMCA	S. G. Steele
Northmount YMCA	W. J. Strain
Notre Dame de Grace YMCA	R. E. MacKay
Verdun-LaSalle YMCA	R. Bailey
Westmount YMCA	C. E. Reckitt
Sir George Williams University	F. F. Fulton
Central Station RR YMCA	H. F. Murray
Montreal Yard RR YMCA	R. Pasteris
Ottawa YMCA-YWCA	Mrs. B. G. Craig
West Ottawa YMCA-YWCA	Mrs. D. Hain
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Moncton Yard RR YMCA	J .W. Druhan
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W. HAROLD REA
President, The National Council of YMCAs of Canada

VIEWPOINT ON YOUTH
DOUGLAS WARD, B.A., B.D.
President elect, Canadian Union of Students
Chairman, Interim Advisory Council —
Company of Young Canadians

TREE PLANTING CEREMONY
T. DENTON LEWIS
President of Montreal YMCA,
first Canadian Association.
This ceremonial planting represents the participation of all Canadian YMCAs and YMCAs-YWCAs in the Canadian YMCA Centennial Project at Geneva Park

DECLARATION OF OPENING
THE HON. LESLIE M. FROST, P.C., Q.C., LL.D., D.C.L.
Former Premier of Ontario

RAISING OF THE FLAGS
THE HON. LESLIE M. FROST
W. HAROLD REA
H. M. FORTH

PRAYER
Eternal Father of us all; we do not offer Thee anything as our own. Yet we beseech Thee in Thy goodness to accept these buildings and to continue Thy gracious goodness toward us. We thank Thee that the work of our hands has continued to be blessed. Grant that Thy servants who shall hereafter serve Thee in these buildings may be strengthened in all their efforts. Prepare our hearts and theirs by the grace of Thy Holy Spirit to serve Thee with reverence and holy fear. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. — Amen.

Geneva Park, June 18, 1966.

GENEVA PARK ON

LAKE COUCHICHING

VIEWS OF THE GENEVA PARK CENTENNIAL PROJECT

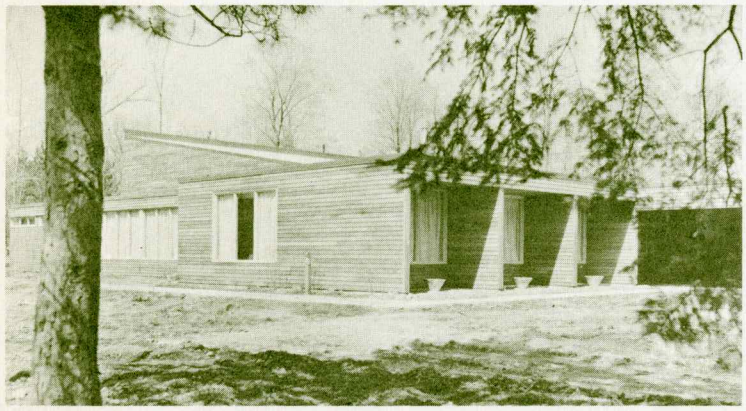


Photo is an external view of the new Auditorium complex. Inside is a meeting room large enough to accommodate 300 people. Bordering this room are meeting rooms, Geneva Park offices, and a "tuck shop" with lounge.

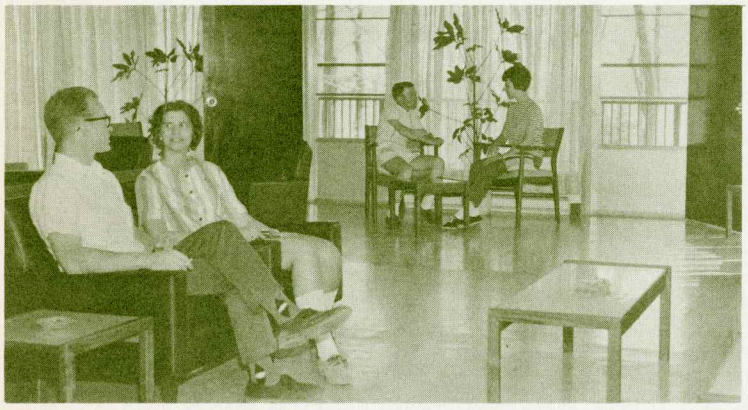
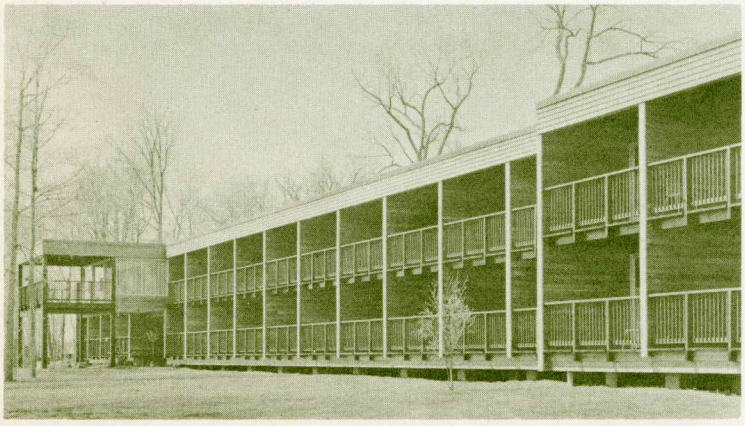


Photo above is an inside view of a lounge in the new dormitory accommodation. The Lodge, a self-contained up-to-date building that provides lodging for 100 guests is functional all year round.

Photo below shows the same new Lodge building seen from Lake Couchiching.



CAPSULE HISTORY OF EARLY GENEVA PARK NATIONAL YMCA LEADERSHIP TRAINING AND CONFERENCE CENTRE

1902: The Canadian Training School of the YMCA began in Toronto.

1905: The School was moved to Bondsfield property which belonged to Grand Trunk Railway, located at the south end of Lake Couchiching, midway between Orillia and Atherley.

1905: Meanwhile down the lake Mr. C. J. Atkinson was operating the summer Broadway Boy's Institute at Geneva Park.

1907: The two YMCA programs combined, and Summer School shared Geneva Park with Boy's Institute.

1910: On the 31st of October, the property was purchased and now came into use as a permanent training centre.

1918: Five permanent cottages were erected.

1919: February 6 . . . "be it resolved that this committee of the Canadian Training School of the Young Men's Christian Association, hereby authorizes the transfer to the National Council of YMCAs, all its powers and obligations in the conduct of the training school and the property of the school at Geneva Park, Lake Couchiching, Ont."
The Park now became responsible to every Association in Canada as a National Council responsibility.

1916: The "Wigwam" was built, the first permanent accommodation to supplement the tents of "tent alley."

1918: Marks the end of the rapid expansion of Geneva Park. Subsequently a period of gradual growth and consolidation followed, centring around the maturation of the "Park" as the core training centre for YMCAs of Canada.

REMINISCENCES

Did you know that Geneva Park has been in operation for 60 years?

Do you remember the picnics at the Grotto, or at Quarry Point when Mrs. Yeigh cooked fish and frog legs for the assemblies? Did you know that in the early days of Geneva Park you arrived at Longford Station and were met by a wagon drawn by one horse, and transported to Geneva Park from the main road over a rocky wooden road that covered the marsh to the north of the present road?

Do you remember when the "Miss Orillia" boat would come to Government Dock each Saturday morning to take cottagers to town to shop?

Do you remember the Church services behind Cottage 9 with the green tarpaulins strung across the trees at the edge of the lake to keep off the wind?

Can you remember slipping on the clay paths on walks after a storm?

Did you know that the present Copeland Hall building is the third structure to be built on that site and called Copeland Hall? The roof of the first caved in as a result of too much snow accumulating on the roof, and the second burned down. Do you remember the storm that left the Couchiching conference without lights for a weekend?

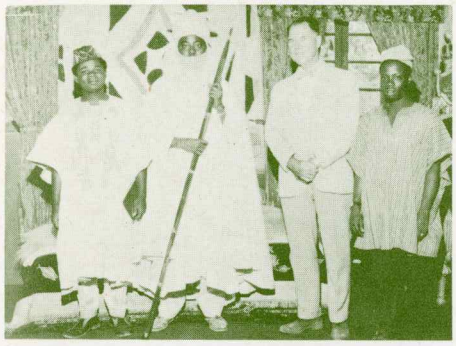
Can you remember when the Wigwam was on the lakefront directly ahead of the present-day Geneva Court?

Can you remember what it looked like last year? Where the Tuck Shop was? The Chateau Ceneli? The road?

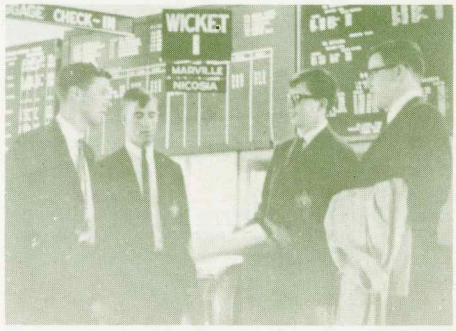
JAMES BAKKEN (right), now Canadian YMCA Student World Service Worker in Thessalonika, Greece (with D. G. Diamantides, fraternal secretary, formerly Belleville, Ont.) is shown with Gordon Saunders (left), executive secretary, Winnipeg Elmwood-Kildonan YMCA, and Douglas R. Annett, chairman, National YMCA World Service Committee.

CARACAS (Venezuela) YMCA will be location for Perry Oike (Vancouver Broadway) for year.

FLAGS for World Service countries were presented to Geneva Park (for use in new auditorium) by Niagara Falls Phiat, service club for young business women within the YMCA.



WORLD SERVICE fraternal secretary Clark Ready (formerly Edmonton) meets with the Emir of Kano, Alhaji Ado Bayero, during Northern Nigerian tour of YMCAs. Prince A. Adeleye (left) is 'Y' organizing secretary.



MIDDLE EAST YMCA volunteers for summer are Brian Ward (Toronto Central), John Calder (Vancouver Alma), Peter Bangay (Halifax) and John Curtis (Halifax and Charlottetown), shown leaving for their World Alliance YMCA Refugee Service posts.

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DIRECTOR of YMCA Centennial/Expo Planning and Development is A. Walter Kemball, Montreal YMCA. Presentation was made at National Council's Annual Meeting. Next year's session will be in Montreal, June 16-18.

DELEGATES to World YMCA Youth Conference at Stavanger, Norway, depart from Toronto on June 27, after 2-day briefing at Geneva Park. Peter Cuff, Red Deer, is leader of 46-member group, assisted by Miss Mary Tierney, London YMCA-YWCA; Phil Macdonald, Montreal-Lakeshore, and Laurie Borne, Toronto-Westwood. Following the Conference, group will tour parts of Europe, returning to Canada on July 30.

Note These Dates

JUNE 28 - JULY 7 World YMCA Youth Conference, Stavanger, Norway.

JULY

4- 9 International Committee of Y's Men's Clubs Convention, Hawaii.

3-16 National YMCA Leaders Corps Camp (Boys), Geneva Park.

17-30 National YMCA Intermediate Leaders Camp (Girls), Geneva Park.

JULY 30 - AUG. 6 Couchiching Conference (Canadian Institute on Public Affairs), Geneva Park.

AUGUST

6-20 YMCA History and Orientation, Geneva Park.

AUG. 6 - SEPT. 3 Canadian YMCA Summer School Certification Courses (6 two-week courses), Geneva Park.

20-27 Y's Men's sponsored Leadership Development Course, Geneva Park.

15-31 National YMCA Family Fitness Camp, Geneva Park.

AUG. 29 - SEPT 2 12th National Hi-Y Assembly, Geneva Park.

SEPTEMBER

3-10 YMCA Physical Skill School, Geneva Park.

5 Labor Day.

15-17 Canadian Association for Adult Education "Adult Education — An Emerging Profession", Vancouver.

23-25 International Committee of YMCAs Plenary, Washington.

SEPT. 30 - OCT. 2 Ontario Region Y's Men's Convention, Geneva Park.

OCTOBER

2 'Round YMCA World Service Visit departs.

5- 7 North American YMCA Public Relations Seminar, Geneva Park.

11 YMCA Founders Day.

17-21 YWCA of Canada Annual Meeting, Toronto.

28-29 YMCA-affiliated Industrial Management Clubs of Canada Annual Conference, Toronto.

29-30 Overseas Students Seminar, Geneva Park.

NOVEMBER

6-12 99th Annual YMCA and YWCA Week of Prayer and World Fellowship.

13-18 YMCA Seminar on United Nations and World Affairs Education, New York City.

22-25 Canadian Council of Churches Bi-Annual Meeting, Geneva Park.

THE 'Y' ACROSS CANADA

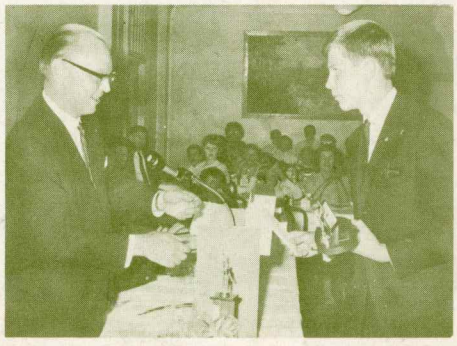
COMPANY OF YOUNG CANADIANS W. M. McWhinney (seated, left), interim director, reflects on issues raised at an informal luncheon, with his host, Dr. Corbin A. Brown (seated, right), chairman of the National YMCA Relationships Committee; Alan Hopper (standing, left), executive director, Barrie YMCA-YWCA and member of the committee; and Fahid Youssef, executive director of the Nazareth, Israel YMCA and YMCA World Service fellowship trainee in North America. Mr. McWhinney was present to outline CYC plans to members of voluntary and church organizations, at a Y-sponsored luncheon.

ST. CHARLES ROMAN CATHOLIC High School is one of the activity centers for Amherst (N.S.) YMCA. Mr. and Mrs. R. Hotchkiss are part-time program supervisors, with assistance from Moncton YMCA.

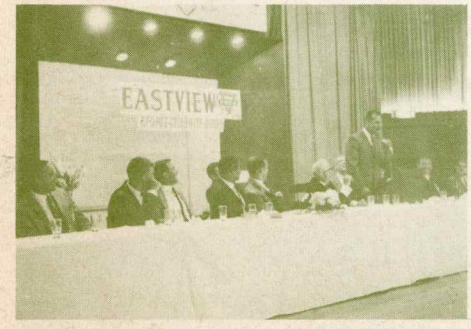
CAMPERSHIPS are being given through Greater Niagara YMCA from proceeds of 6th annual Powder Puff Hockey Game between two girls' Hi-Y Clubs.

NEW PRESIDENT of the National Association of YMCA Leaders' Corps is E. A. 'Ted' Kidd, President, Regina YMCA, succeeding James Pryce, Toronto Central.

ST. JOHN'S (NFLD.) YMCA is now located in a civic-provincial activity center. E. White is general secretary, and W. Taylor, program secretary.



MODRIS K. LORBERGS JR. receives for third consecutive year the Service Award from Toronto West End YMCA President H. D. Bell.



SPORTS CELEBRITY DINNER in Toronto Eastview YMCA's youth work was initiated by Carl Brewer of Toronto Maple Leafs and Eastview 'Y' board member. Hockey's Eddie Shack is shown at podium.

REGINA Hi-Y groups contributed $1,200 for the furnishing of a two-bed ward in the new addition to the Regina General Hospital. Shown are Dr. A. C. Pickle and C. L. Pedersen of the Hospital; Miss Linda Leib, Hi-Y Inter-Club Council; Peter T. Hamill, Hi-Y member; and Douglas R. Barmby, president, Alpha-Beta Hi-Y.

From the remarks by Maurice F. Strong, on accepting the National Presidency.

. . . We must involve young people not only in our programs but on every level of YMCA organization, including our Boards of Directors and their committees. . .

. . . I believe that the YMCA must do more thinking about its role in our changing society. We are an action-oriented organization, but actions which do not flow from a sound basis in thought are of as little significance as thought that does not give rise to action. The "Y" is at its best when its programs and activities reflect a synthesis of thought and action. Some of our members are raising fundamental questions concerning our role and our emphasis. . .

. . . All these changes involve a complexity of problems and a variety of relationships. New institutional mechanisms are being developed for dealing with these problems. The role of government is increasing. Gone are the days when each institution carved out a special area of interest where it operated relatively free of interference from and involvement with other agencies. We must re-think our role, re-define our task and be prepared to re-deploy our resources so that we can concentrate on those areas in which the YMCA is best able to make an effective contribution in this new context.

. . . In considering and dealing with all these issues, I believe that the Officers and staff of the National Council must ever keep uppermost in their minds the fact that we are the creatures and the servants of the local associations. You have the right to look to us for leadership in matters of common national concern and as your instrument of relationship to the wider world fellowship of the YMCA represented by the World Alliance. We want to be closer to the local associations and to their membership and more responsive to their needs and their desires. Our new organization and our new facilities will help us to accomplish this. . .

. . . I appeal to you for your active help and support in keeping the National Council and your own associations in touch and in tune with each other. . .

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